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probably the most extensive series of Bermuda mollusks in any museum.

The additions to our series of American mollusks have been very numerous, the most extensive accessions being Mr. S. N. Rhoads, collection of Tennessee shells, the series collected by Mr. C. W. Johnson and the Conservator in Florida in 1894, and a collection of marine forms from Puget Sound, which we owe to the Young Naturalist's Society of Seattle, Washington; also, a large series of the recent and post-tertiary mollusks of White Pond, New Jersey, collected by Mr. Rhoads and the Conservator. Eighty-three persons, a list of whom is given in the record of additions to the Museum, have contributed smaller numbers of mollusks to the collection.

The Conchological Section and the Academy have purchased 291 species new to the collection during the year.

The Officers of the Section are as follows:—

<i>Director,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Benjamin Sharp, M. D.
<i>Vice-Director,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	John Ford.
<i>Recorder and Librarian,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Edw. J. Nolan, M. D.
<i>Corresponding Secretary,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	Chas. W. Johnson.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	.	.	.	.	.	S. Raymond Roberts.

HENRY A. PILSBRY,
Conservator.

REPORT OF THE ENTOMOLOGICAL SECTION.

The Section moved into the apartments provided by the Academy, which it now occupies, February 27, 1895, and immediately thereafter work was commenced on the rearrangement of the collections and library. Owing to the crowded condition of the old rooms, it was impossible to attempt any proper arrangement, but, at the present time, all our possessions are in a very satisfactory condition, and can be properly studied and used to advantage. The members of the Section now feel that they are in a position to do good work, as they have the space for growth of the collections and library, and an incentive to advance. There has, undoubtedly, been a greatly increased interest in our study among the members of the Section which is likely to continue. During the past year important additions have been made to the cabinet. Many species have been presented to the display collection representing the fauna of Pennsylvania and southern New Jersey. The meetings have

been well attended, the smallest number of persons present at any meeting being eleven, and the largest seventeen. The scientific communications have been of interest and of practical value in the advancement of entomology.

At the annual meeting, held December 17th, the following were elected officers to serve during the coming year:—

<i>Director,</i>	. . . . .	George H. Horn.
<i>Vice-Director,</i>	. . . . .	C. S. Welles.
<i>Treasurer,</i>	. . . . .	C. T. Cresson.
<i>Conservator and Recorder,</i>	. . . . .	Henry Skinner.
<i>Secretary,</i>	. . . . .	W. J. Fox.
<i>Publication Committee,</i>	. . . . .	{ C. W. Johnson.
		{ J. H. Ridings.

HENRY SKINNER,
Recorder.

REPORT OF THE BOTANICAL SECTION.

The Director of the Botanical Section respectfully reports that this department of the Academy is in a prosperous condition. It is free from debt, and has a small surplus in its treasury. Meetings have been held regularly at stated times when many matters of importance to botanical science were brought forward and discussed.

The progress and needs of the herbarium are well set forth in the statement of the Conservator, Mr. Stewardson Brown, which is submitted as a part of this report. It is hoped that the Redfield Memorial Herbarium Fund, efforts to enlarge which from outside sources have been held in abeyance the past year, may soon be increased. The income from this should be immediately available to aid in securing additional collections, while the principal sum is growing so as to secure the essential services of a Curator. The voluntary labors of Messrs. Crawford, Beringer, Brown and Meehan, in arranging the herbarium and preparing the specimens for fastening down, have been continuous the past two years. It will take some five or six years, at the same rate of proceeding, to complete the task, even if no additions were made to the collection. It is a question whether it is wise to depend greatly on this assistance, and it is earnestly